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FOOD SUPPLIES & CONSUMER WELFARE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 13th November, 2023

No. 18137—FSCW-PL-POL-0001/2017/FSCW.—In pursuance of letter No. 3(35)/2021-Py.I dated the 20th June 2023 and L. No. 8-1/2022-S&I dated the 5th September, 2023 of Department of Food & Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, Government of India, the State Government, Odisha do hereby notify the Minimum Support Price as specified in column (2) of Schedule 'A' below payable for purchase of different Grades of paddy of Fair Average Quality (F.A.Q.) as specified in column (1) thereof with the Uniform Specification of all grades of paddy mentioned in Schedule 'B' below for the **Kharif marketing Season 2023-24** commencing from the **1st October, 2023**.

Schedule 'A'

Grade	Minimum Support Price of Paddy (Rs. Per quintal)
(1)	(2)
(1) Common	2183
(2) Grade 'A'	2203

Schedule 'B'

UNIFORMS SPECIFICATION OF ALL VAREIETIES OF PADDY (KHARIF MARKETING SEASON 2023-24)

Paddy shall be in sound, merchantable condition, dry, clean, wholesome of good food value, uniform in colour and size of grains and free from moulds, weevils, obnoxious smell, *Argemone mexicana*, *Lathyrus Sativus* (Khesari) and admixture of deleterious substances.

Paddy will be classified into Grade 'A' and 'Common' Groups of the following specification, namely:-

SCHEDULE OF SPECIFICATION

Sl. No.	Refractions	Maximum Limit (%)
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Foreign matter	
	(a) Inorganic	1.0
	(b) Organic	1.0
2	Damaged, discoloured, sprouted and weevilled grains	5.0*
3	Immature, Shrunken and shriveled grains	3.0
4	Admixture of Lower Class	6.0
5	Moisture content	17.0

*Damaged, Sprouted and weevilled grains should not exceed 4%.

- N.B.: 1. The definitions of the above refractions and method of analysis are to be followed as per BIS 'Method of analysis for foodgrains' Nos. IS: 4333 (Part-I): 1996, IS: 4333 (Part-II): 2002 and 'Terminology for foodgrains' IS: Nos. 2813-1995 as amended from time to time.
2. The method of sampling is to be followed as per BIS method for sampling of Cereals and Pulses IS: 14818 – 2000 as amended from time to time.
3. Within the overall limit of 1.0% for organic foreign matter, poisonous seeds shall not exceed 0.5% of which Dhatura and Akra seeds (*Vicia species*) not to exceed 0.025% and 0.2% respectively.

By Order of the Governor

V.V. YADAV

Principal Secretary to Government.